

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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In re the Application of: Nobuaki SUGITA

Serial No.: 09/528,986

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FOR: SEALED BATTERY WITH LESS ELECTROLYTE LEAKAGE

Group Art Unit: 1745

Examiner: M. Ruthkosky

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

July 10, 2002

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated **January 18, 2002** of the Primary Examiner.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1. XX A petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Final Rejection was filed on July 8, 2002.
2. XX A timely response to the Final Rejection has been filed, as provided in 37 C.F.R. 1.113.
3. XX Fee -\$320.00
XX Enclosed (This paper is filed in triplicate.)
Not required (fee paid in prior appeal)
Charge to Deposit Account No. 01-2340 (This paper is filed in duplicate.)

- In the event this Notice of Appeal is not considered to be timely filed, Applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for this extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340, along with any other additional fees which may be required with respect to this Notice.

Respectfully Submitted,

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